

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 13-24, without prejudice, and insert in lieu thereof new claims 25-29.

Claims 1-24 (canceled).

25. (new): A basic mode solid rod external fixator implant intended for driving at right angles through the skin to bone surface for controlling a single fragment, comprising, a first end for driving in bone, with a thread at the first end, and a second end outside the skin, with a grip for turning at second end; an intercalated fixed conical head with apex towards the second end, having a blunt serrated margin for limited contact on bone surface; the implant device, being fully threaded from first end to intercalated head, and having an extended rod length from head to the second end for driving, and for securing it to external fixator construct and to renew the stability on loosening.

26. (new): A lag mode external fixator implant intended for compressing two fracture surfaces, at right angles to fracture plan for ideal compression, and at varying angles to outer bone surface, comprising,

- a first end for driving in bone, with a thread at the first end, and a second end outside skin, with a grip at second end for turning;
- an intercalated fixed spherical head for broad contact at countersink in bone surface, at different angles of insertion; and
- the implant being partially threaded from first end, stopping short of the intercalated head, and having a smooth shaft between the thread and spherical head for gliding through fragment nearer to the head, and engaging the bone thread only in one fragment near the first

end, and having an extended rod length from head to the second end for driving, also for securing it to external fixator construct for renewing compression after loosening.

27. (new): The device of claim 26 wherein the extended rod is canalised from first end to second end throughout, for passing a guide wire through any one end and out the other.

28. (new): The device of claim 26 and further comprising a mobile head capable of re-fixation at different levels between the thread and second end.

29. (new): The device of claim 26 wherein the rod is canalised from first end to second throughout for passing a guide wire through any end and out the other and having a mobile head capable of re-fixation at different levels.